

I am outraged by a recent media development, reported in an article in the Washington Post, titled "Sinclair Stations to Air Anti-Kerry Documentary." Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. In a country in which we strive to have a government of, by, and for the people, it's more important than ever that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.